

Discussion about Next Steps

Task Force of Border Health Officials

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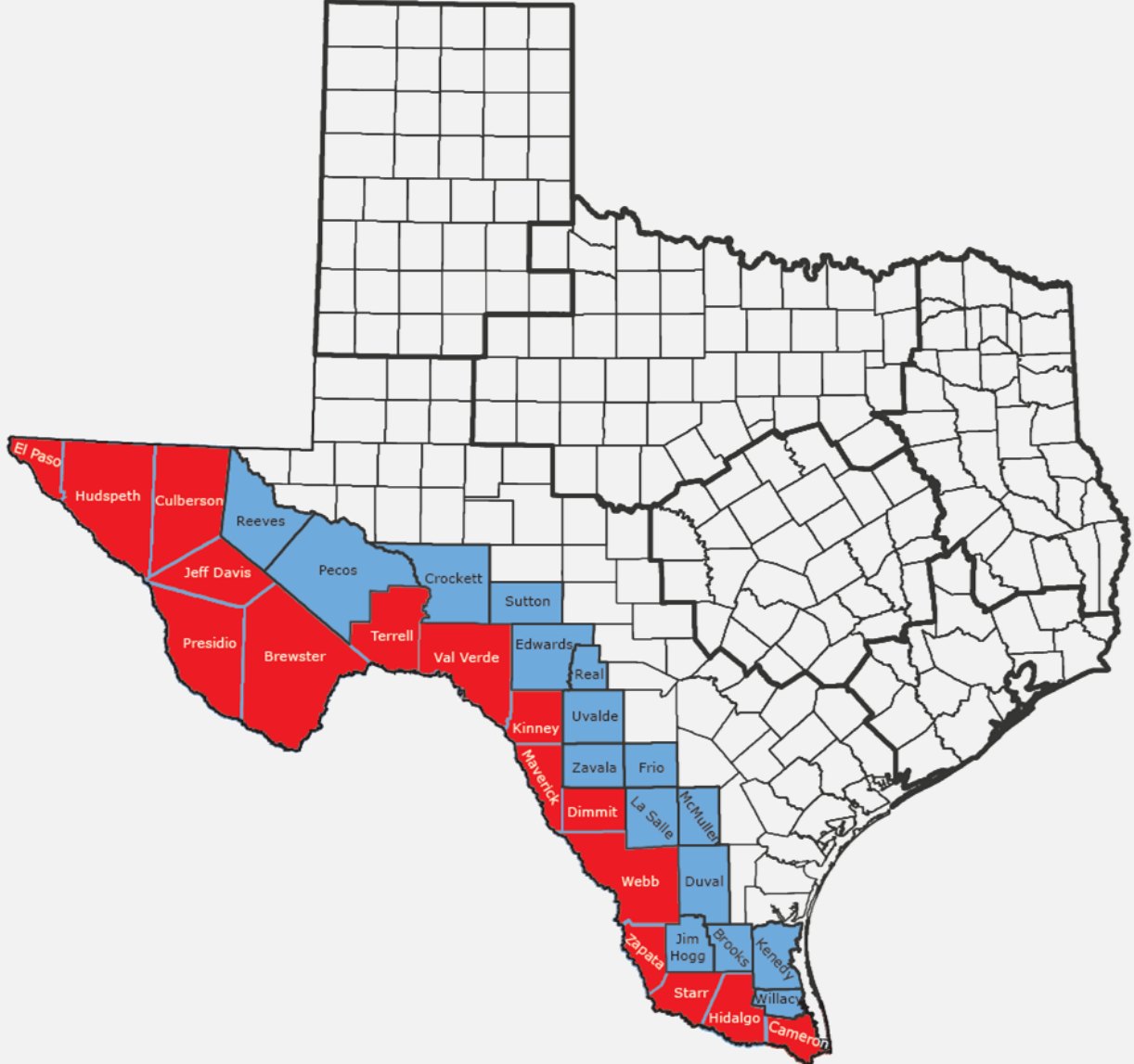
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TFBHO Next Steps Discussions

Suggested topics of discussion:

- Scope of the Border Region Data
 - Texas Health and Safety Code: 16 counties immediately adjacent to the international boundary
 - La Paz Agreement of 1983: 32 counties within 62 miles of the international boundary
- Adjustment to Bylaws
 - Counting/not counting ex-officio for quorum.
- How do we move forward to be valuable for all members?
 - Topics to address, following up recommendations, next areas of focus.

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Adjustment to TFBHO Bylaws

Counting ex-officio members for quorum.

- Being considered by default:

A quorum of a public body is a majority of the number of members fixed by statute. [Texas Government Code § 311.013\(b\)](#)

- An advisory committee's rules or bylaws can state that ex-officio nonvoting members are not counted when determining whether a quorum is present:

"Quorum" means a majority of a governmental body, unless defined differently by applicable law or rule or the charter of the governmental body. [Texas Government Code § 551.001\(6\)](#)

Open Discussion

- Moving forward, how can we ensure the participation at the TFBHO is valuable for all members?
- How can DSHS-OBPH support you at the TFBHO meetings?
- What topics would you like to hear about at future meetings?
- What would be the best way to follow-up on the recommendations made in the recent TFBHO report?
- What is the best approach to align the TFBHO with current DSHS priorities?
- What should the areas of focus be for the next biennium?

Thank you!

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